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Through: Roland E. Johnson, Superintendent
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Mr. Barry Welch, Chief
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and Production
Bureau of Indian Affairs
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Dear Mr. Welch:

This letter follows your meeting on November 10, 1983, with Messrs. Ron Solimon and Roland Johnson regarding our request for funding the financial analysis of Anaconda Minerals Company's offer to settle and for the development of management alternatives for the reclamation of the Jackpile/Paguate mine and the surrounding area. The Pueblo would subcontract with an entity that has the capability of accomplishing both tasks. A report would be provided to the Pueblo indicating conclusions and recommendations for action on the part of the Pueblo. A specific term of the contract will be stipulated.

Further, I understand that you cannot contract for review of the EIS. Accordingly, this item will be replaced with another work item.

Finally, as Ron and Roland explained while Mr. Dick Bornemann has provided the Pueblo with his analysis of Anaconda's offer, he has prefaced each presentation to the Pueblo with a disclaimer on the scope of his analysis. Dick is aware of our intent to seek a more comprehensive analysis and he encouraged us to seek the advice of a firm with hands-on experience in reclamation. Please feel free to discuss the matter with him. Incidentally, his input has been extremely helpful to the Pueblo's Natural Resource Committee and to me.



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Ron is currently putting together some specific figures and time tables for an amended version of our proposal. He will get an amended proposal to you prior to the Thanksgiving Holidays.

Sincerely,

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Edwin M. Martinez
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cc: Ron Solimon